

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Wednesday, October 14, 2009

450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, RI

Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Jannitto at 6:00 pm, 450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise, and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

David Dugan, William Gosselin, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, John McElroy, Jr., Lloyd Matsumoto, Frank Nencka, Joseph Rego

Director Absent –Frank Sylvia

Executive Director DeLise stated that he had received a call from the Rehoboth Police Department about an oil spill near the Shad Reservoir. The Plant was shut down immediately. The spill was caused by a tank truck leaking diesel fuel. There was no contamination to the Reservoir and the Plant was put back in service.

HOUSEKEEPING

Minutes of the following meetings were reviewed.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 9, 2009, be approved.

AUDIT FINANCE

Director Nencka reported:

New Business

1. Meter Replacement Program, Manager of Customer and Commercial Services, Mr. Joseph Granata stated that 345 meters had been installed this month. There are 2,200 older meters left to be converted.

Director Nencka questioned the amount of money spent on chemicals for September. Manager of MIS and Accounting, Mr. Web Goodwin stated that BCWA uses more chemicals to process water in the summer months.

2. Providence Rate Increase (for Information Only), Question: Should rates be increase by BCWA as Providence increases its rates? Director Klepper met with Mr. Goodwin, BCWA has spent \$1,600,000 on Providence Water this year. There are other factors that affect our rates, I am not in favor of increasing our rates whenever Providence

Water increases theirs. This matter was then dropped.

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

Director McElroy reported:

Old Business

1. Storage Tank Rehabilitation, Rehab work is on schedule. Amstar of Western NY has mobilized on site and Tank rehab activities are in progress.

2. RWU Progress Report, RWU tank construction in progress.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Director Gosselin reported:

Old Business

1. Residential Booster Pumps, Committee recommends approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To approve \$3,000 towards BCWA Booster Grant Program, as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. State Mandates Backflow Regulations, Staff report in progress, draft at November meetings. Director Klepper stated he had received

a call from a Barrington resident who was told by BCWA he had to put in a back flow valve. The customer refused to have the valve installed in his home stating that the valve contains lead, a cancer causing metal. Director Klepper asked the customer to attend the November sub committee meeting.

Chairman Jannitto stated Mr. and Mrs. Krause explained their problems with their booster pumps adequately at the sub committee meeting. Executive Director DeLise stated he needs a consensus from the Board to request a proposal from Pare Engineering for a study on enlarging the high service area. The Board granted his request.

2. Executive Director Yearly Review, Committee recommends approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

MOTION: To increase the Executive Directors salary by 3.75% retroactive to July 1, 2009.

Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's Report was self-explanatory.

Executive Director DeLise stated that Bristol Town Council will hold a meeting on October 3 to discuss BCWA's hydraulic model study and

other issues; all Directors are invited to attend.

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 5:20 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 3. Personnel/Retirement Committee Meeting, Wednesday November 4, 2009, 5:25 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

John L. McElroy, Jr.
Secretary